



"Through the Eyes of Youth – 175 Years of Austrian-American Diplomatic Relations"

To commemorate the 175th anniversary of Austrian-American diplomatic relations in 2013, the U.S. Embassy Vienna is holding an essay contest. We're inviting Austria's youth to tell us how the young generation views the Austrian-American relationship and what aspect of it is most significant to young Austrians.

Essays should be compelling, original, thoughtful, and organized. All submissions must be in English and must not exceed 500 words.

Please send your submissions together with your contact information to embassy@usembassy.at from today through May 15, 2013.

The winner will be recognized at the US Independence Day reception at the Ambassador's residence.

Guidelines:

- Participants: Students attending Austrian high schools, business or technical schools, 14 to 19 years old;
- 1 submission per participant;
- Essays will be judged on the creativity and originality of the thoughts and ideas expressed;
- A jury comprised of Embassy staff will select the winning entry;
- Winners will be announced on the <u>U.S. Embassy website</u> and on the <u>U.S. Embassy</u> Facebook page;
- Prizes:

o 1st prize: iPad

2nd prize: iPod classic
 3rd prize: iPod touch

• Timeline:

Submission deadline: May 15, 2013Award ceremony: June 13, 2013